Industrial licences to MRTP and FERA companies

66. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) how many industrial licences and letters of intent were issued to MRTP and FERA Companies during the last three years, year-wise, and

(b) the details of projects taken up by those companies during the period particularly in the backward areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) . (a) and (b) Under the provisions of Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, the following number of letters of intent and industrial licences were granted to MRTP/FERA Companies during the last three years:--

	Number of letters of intent issued to MRTP/FERA Companies		Number of Industrial licences issued to MRTP/FERA Companies	
	Total	Share of Backward Areas	Total	Share of Backward Areas
1983	134	66	123	39
1984	139	70	116	40
1985	291	125	109	43

Details, such as name and address of the undertakings, location (including the name of district), item(s) of manufacture and capacity, etc. in respect of letters of intent and industrial licences issued are being published regularly by the Indian Investment Centre in their 'Monthly Newsletter'. Copies of this publication are being sent to the Parliament Library regularly.

Foreign Collaborations

67. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) how many foreign collaborations were approved during the last two years; and

(b) the details of the concerned industrial sector sand the foreign countries collaborating with them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Government has approved 752 and 1024 foreign collaboration proposals in the year 1984 and 1985 respectively. Details of all foreign collaborations, showing the names of Indian & foreign firms, item of manufacture band nature of collaboration are published on a quarterly basis by the Indian Investment Centre as a supplement to its monthly News Letters. Copies of this publication are sent regularly to Parliament Library.

Setting up industries in No industry districts' in U. P.

68. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) how many districts are declared as 'No Industry Districts' in the country so far;

(b) the names of such districts in Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) the programmes drawn up to set up industries in those districts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) 93 Districts have been declared as 'No Industry Districts, in the country.

(b) 1. Banda 2. Chamoli 3. Fatehpur 4. Hamirpur 5. Jalaun 6. Jaunpur 7. Pauri Garhwal 8. Sultanpur 9. Tehri Garhwal 10. Uttar Kasni 11. Kanpur Dehat.

(c) Industrialisation of specific districts is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments concerned. However, the Central Government supplements their efforts by providing various concessions|incentives for encouraging entrepreneurs to set up their units in the identified backward areas|No Industry Districts. The details of concessions|incentives admissible to entrepreneurs for setting up industries in No Industry Districts are given in the booklet "Incentives for Industries in backward Areas (Central Government and Central Financial Institutions) April, 1984" read with this Ministry's Press Note No. 14|2|83-DBA-I dated 9-4-85, copies of which available in Parliament Library.

During last three years the following amount has been re-imbursed to Government of Uttar Pradesh under the Central Investment Subsidy Scheme for setting up industries in identified backward areas:-

	(*Rs. in crores*)
1983-84	1.26
1984-85	3.20
1985-86	12.54

Under the Scheme of Central assistance for development of infrastructural facilities in 'No Industry Districts' an amount of Rs. 2.50 crores has been disbursed to the State Government of Uttar Pradesh during 1985-86.

HBJ Pipelines contract to Spie-Capag

69. SHRI INDRADEEP SINHA:
SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the contract of the HBJ pipeline has been given to the Spie-capag;

(b) how many firms have given tenders; and

(c) what is the reason for giving contract to Spie-capag?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Bids had been received from four consortia;

(c) Contract has been awarded to the consortium led by SPIE CAPAG of France in view of its bid being the lowest in overall analysis.

70. [*Transferred to the 29th April, 1986.*]

Present system of allotment of LPG distributorship

71. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) when the present system of allotting LPG distributorship was introduced;

(b) whether it has come to the notice of Government that the benefit of reservation for Scheduled Castes|Scheduled Tribes is not actually availed of by them and other people obtain the distributorships benami;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the interviews conducted for the purpose of allotment are a mere formality and do not help in selecting the most suitable applicants; and

(d) whether a change in the ssytem of allotment and also the restriction of